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MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY, KERALA

Abstract

Setting up of Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) Cell in the University – Sanctioned – Orders issued.

PLANNING & DEVELOPEMENT 3 &SC-ST Cell

No. 9780/P&D3&SC/ST/2026/MGU Priyadarsini Hills,Dated: 13.11.2026

Read:-UGC Guidelines to provide Equitable Opportunity for the Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) in the HEIs, Published in January 2024

ORDER

The University Grants Commission, vide paper read above, has issued the Guidelines to Provide Equitable Opportunity for the Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), dated January 2024 , in accordance with the provisions of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The guidelines are intended to ensure that students belonging to Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) have a safe and secure environment and equitable access to quality higher education.

As per Section 3 of the UGC Guidelines, all Higher Educational Institutions are required to establish a Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) Cell to ensure inclusive and quality higher education for students belonging to SEDGs. The Cell shall function as an independent body without any hindrance or interference with the functioning and mandated activities of other Cells in the University. It shall ensure the protection of the constitutionally guaranteed rights, dignity, safety and security of students belonging to SEDGs and facilitate equal access and opportunities for pursuing higher education in coordination with existing statutory bodies such as the SC/ST Cell, Equal Opportunity Cell and other relevant bodies of the University.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to set up Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) Cell in the University with the members as follows, in accordance with the UGC Guidelines , Section 3.3.

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2. Prof.(Dr.) Keerthi T R, Professor, School of Biosciences
3. Prof.(Dr.) Robinet Jacob, Professor, School of Tourism Studies (Director IQAC)
4. Sri. Rajesh E, Assistant Professor, School of Behavioural Sciences
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7. Sri. Richu Tom Raju, Student (Graduate School)
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